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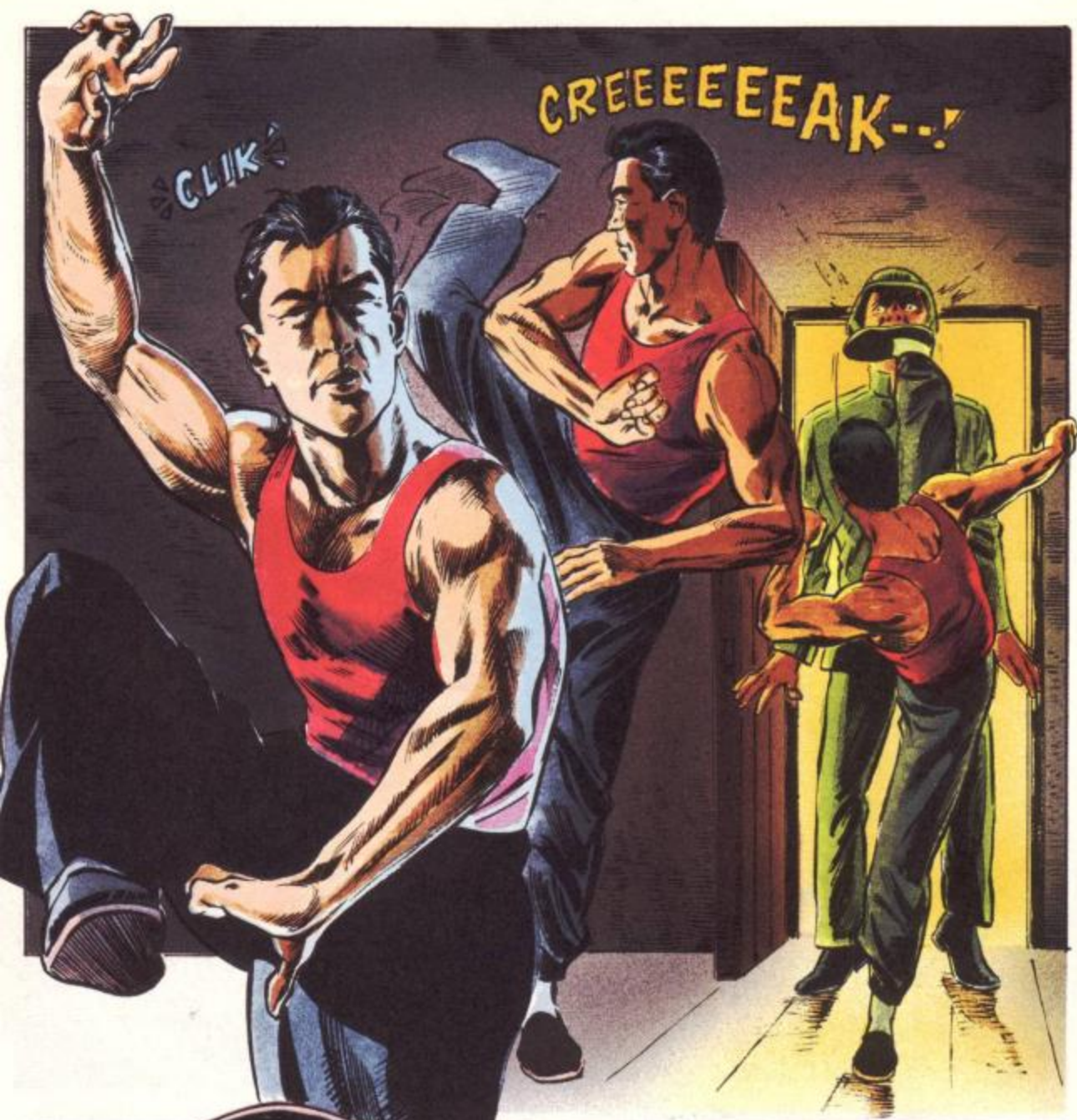
KATO™













HONORED MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, ESTEEMED MINISTER, HERE IS HAYASHI KATO, WHO WILL EXPLAIN HIS FILM TO YOU.

PROCEED.

HONORED MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, ESTEEMED MINISTER OF CULTURE,--



--I AM DEEPLY HONORED TO STAND HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY, SADDER BUT WISER FOR MY UNFORTUNATE SOJOURN IN THE WEST.

HOW CAN I BEST ATONE FOR A LIFETIME SPENT PURSUING FALSE GOALS?



ONLY BY GIVING CHINA THE GREATEST KUNG FU MOVIE OF ALL TIME! WE WILL SHOW THE WORLD THE TRUE MEANING OF SOCIALISM--

--AND PROVIDE A SHOWCASE FOR OUR YOUNG SOCIALIST HEROES.



"GREATER GLORY" IS THE STORY OF SOCIALISM'S DECADES-LONG STRUGGLE TO SUBDUCE THE VARIOUS KUNG FU SCHOOLS AND CULTS OF PERSONALITY...

AND HOW THEIR CONSOLIDATION CULMINATED IN OUR GREAT VICTORY IN KOREA...

IT'S ALSO THE STORY OF ONE HOP SING, WHO STARTS OUT AS A DEVOUT MONK OF SHAOLIN, BUT IS WON OVER TO SOCIALISM...

IT IS HE WHO LEADS THE STRUGGLE TO CONSOLIDATE. IT IS HE WHO WILL FINALLY DEFEAT THE EVIL JOHN WESLEY LEE, THE CORRUPT, WESTERNIZED HEAD MONK...

OR BETTER YET, ALL CHINESE PEOPLE.

ONE MOMENT. HERO HOP SING SOUNDS LIKE THE VERY TYPE OF PERSONALITY AROUND WHOM CULTS ARE BUILT.

WHY NOT MAKE WHOLE SOCIALIST SCHOOL HERO OF MOVIE?

THAT IS AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION.

WOW, HIGH CONCEPT, YOUR ESTEEMED ONES... A KUNG FU MOVIE STARRING ALL THE CHINESE PEOPLE! I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE PRACTICAL...

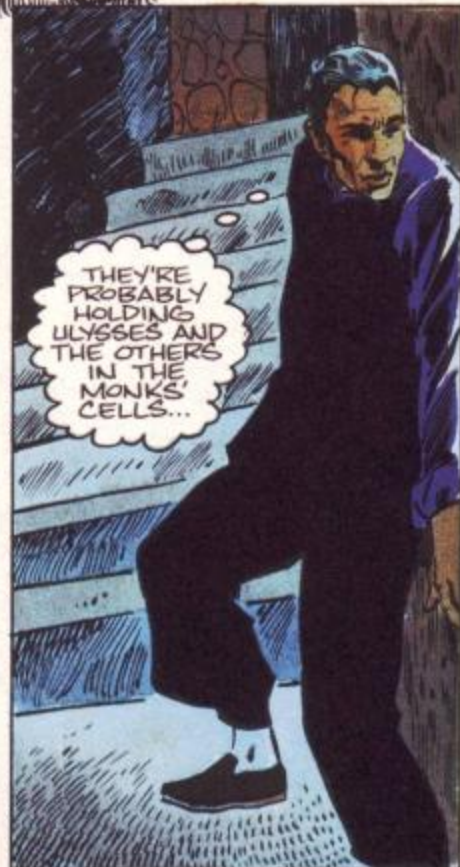
...JUST FEEDING THEM WOULD BANKRUPT THE TREASURY.

HAYASHI KATO HAS SOME EXPERIENCE IN THESE MATTERS. PLEASE CONTINUE, HAYASHI KATO.











THE MINISTER OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
HOSTS A PARTY FOR THE REGIME.

GREAT
PARTY,
COMRADE
MINISTER.

THANK YOU,
CARTER. IT'S
A GREAT DAY
FOR CHINESE
SOCIALISM.

IT IS HIGH
TIME WE ENTERED
THE INTERNATIONAL
FILM MARKET.



AND
WHAT BETTER
SHOWCASE FOR
CHINA THAN A
GREAT HISTORIC
EPIC OUTLINING
OUR CULTURAL
HERITAGE.

TO THINK, ONLY YEARS
AGO, THE GOVERNMENT
FORBODE THE PRACTICE
OF KUNG FU.

SMEK

IT IS NOT
WISE, MY
DELIGHTFUL
BLOSSOM,--
--TO
POINT OUT
REVERSALS
OF POLICY.

GREETINGS, COMRADE
MINISTER. HOW ARE YOU
ENJOYING THE PARTY?

HE IS LOCKED
IN HIS ROOM,
MINISTER. HE
IS FAR TOO
DANGEROUS TO
BE PERMITTED
TO WANDER
ABOUT FREELY.

EXCELLENT,
COLONEL NG.
BUT WHERE IS
OUR GUEST OF
HONOR, THE
AMERICAN
MOVIE STAR?

SURELY YOU
CAN PROVIDE
SECURITY...

I'VE
ARRANGED
FOR SPECIAL
GUARDS...
AH, HERE
THEY ARE.

GREETINGS ESTEEMED COLONEL AND MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE... MY COMRADE JADE AND I ARE READY TO SERVE.

HUMPH!
YOU CALL THIS A PARTY?

REDD KROSS
PLAYED AT THE
LAST PARTY WE
WERE AT!



sniff-sniff!
WHAT IS THIS?
EIGHT-YEAR-OLD
EGG? HOW
DISGUSTING.
I TOLD THEM
TO PROVIDE
RUSSIAN
CAVIAR AND
DORITOS.



JADE,
PLEASE.

WE ARE GUESTS OF
THE COMMITTEE. IT'LL
BECOME US TO CARP.

I'D BE HAPPY
WITH SOME CARP
ON MELBA TOAST.



COMRADES,
PLEASE RETRIEVE
HAYASHI KATO--

--AND
ESCORT HIM
HERE.



AS YOU
WISH,
COLONEL.

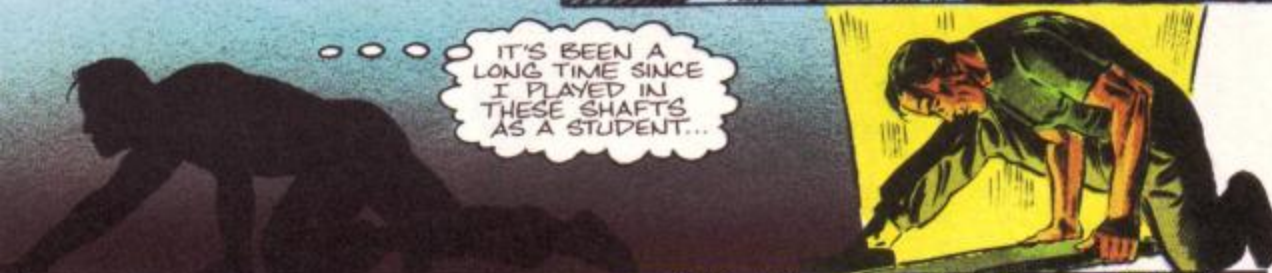
WE JUST
GOT HERE.
DON'T WE
GET TO
MINGLE
A LITTLE
BIT?

THAT
WOMAN,
JADE--

--SHE IS
LACKING A
RESPECTFUL
ATTITUDE.



SHE IS THE
BEST BODYGUARD
IN CHINA,
MR. MINISTER.









THAT STUPID FONG HASN'T REPORTED!

HE PROBABLY FELL ASLEEP AT HIS POST.



HALT!

YOU!



YOU MADE MY FRIEND KILL HIMSELF!

IT'S THE AMERICAN MOVIE STAR! WHAT DO WE DO?

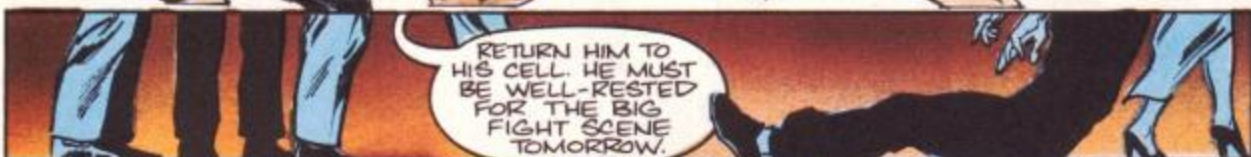
WE DARE NOT SHOOT HIM!













PSST.
HAYASHI!

ULYSSES?

IT'S WELDED!
I'M STUCK!



WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?

I TOLD YOU.
WAIT FOR THE
RIGHT MOMENT.
FREE TAM LAM
AND SIFU HO.



I'M
FRIGHTENED!

OF COURSE.
REMEMBER
THE KUNG FU
I HAVE
TAUGHT YOU...
AND THAT THE
SOLDIERS CANNOT
FIRE THEIR RIFLES
IN HERE.

WHAT?

GO. YOU
ARE IN
DANGER
HERE.
WE MUST PREPARE
OURSELVES FOR
TOMORROW.



AT LAST, KATO FALLS
INTO A FITFUL SLEEP..

AND DREAMS...

COME ON, KATO.
LET'S SPAR.

NO. THE
MASTER
DOESN'T
WANT US
TO SPAR
OUTSIDE
OF CLASS.





HA! HA! THE HALF-BREED IS A COWARD. SIFU WILL NEVER GIVE YOU THE GREAT SWORD! YOU DO NOT DESERVE TO BE HERE...

I WOULD DO THE TEMPLE A FAVOR IF I TOSSED YOU OUT!



I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU, CAT.



YOUR HEAD IS BIGGER THAN YOUR HEART.



I'LL GET YOU, YOU HALF-BREED DOG! SOMEDAY I'LL BE BIGGER AND FASTER THAN YOU! DO YOU HEAR ME, KATO?

KATO!



KATO!



GET UP! IT'S TIME FOR YOUR BIG SCENE.



NEXT: DEMON SWORD

NEXT ISSUE:

The gripping conclusion!!!

Kato has been beaten and made weak by Coral and Jade, China's toughest bodyguards. Now he must face the fierce Cat Ng in the greatest martial arts challenge of his life!

